IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 6, lines 3-22, replace the paragraph beginning, "Fig. 1 is" with the following paragraph:

FIG. 1 is a diagram showing an example of an embodiment of a NAS to which the present invention is applied. The NAS includes: two host interface units 100 which are connected to a host (hereinafter also referred to as "host system"); three file control processors 101 which translate an input/output request by a unit of file from the host into an input/output request of data by a unit of block; two file control memories 102 which store information necessary for translating an input/output request by a form of file into an input/output request of data by a unit of block (hereinafter also referred to as "translation control data"); four groups of disk drives 107 serving as storage media; three disk control processors 104 which control input/output of data to and from the groups of disk drives 107; two cache memories [[106]] 105 which temporarily store data inputted to or outputted from the groups of disk drives 107; two disk interface units 106 which connect the disk control processors 104 and the groups of disk drives 107; and two inter-processor communication units 103

which connect the disk control processors 104 and the file

control processors 101.